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PROVIDE ION IMPLANTATION SHIELDING TO PORTIONS OF A  
SUBSTRATE ADJACENT TO AN ISOLATION REGION THEREIN

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

This Amendment After Final is responsive to the Final Official Action of August 11, 2003. Applicants provide the present Amendment After Final pursuant to revised 37 C.F.R. 1.121 that became mandatory as of July 30, 2003.

It is not believed that any fee(s), including fees for additional claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that additional fees are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is also hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in a listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. Applicants' Remarks in support of the patentability of the claims begin on page 6 of this paper.